

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 126

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Reverend Carl N. Price on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those public servants who in their years of work have served their fellow citizens with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Carl N. Price is one such laudable person who has dedicated his life to serving God, his church, and his community; and

WHEREAS, a native of Wilson County, Mr. Price was born on October 23, 1934, to Clyde and Irene Parker Price; and

WHEREAS, upon his graduation from Lebanon High School in 1952, Mr. Price continued his formal education at Baylor University in Waco, Texas, graduating in 1957, and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, graduating in 1963; Mr. Price also received the certificate for Advanced Clinical Pastoral Education from Baptist Hospital in 1971; and

WHEREAS, even before completing high school, Carl Price knew his calling in life was to serve God and thus, on August 5, 1950, he embarked on a life-long commitment to the gospel ministry; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Price was licensed to preach in October 1951 and was ordained by the First Baptist Church in Lebanon on October 25, 1953; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Price has served as Pastor of Holly Grove Baptist Church in Lascassas; Fall Creek Baptist Church in Norene; Sulphur Spring Baptist Church in Franklin, Kentucky; Green Hill Baptist Church in Mt. Juliet; East Commerce Baptist Church in Lewisburg; Lakewood Baptist Church in Nashville; and, for the past ten years, LaGuardo Baptist Church in Lebanon; from 1971 to 1976, Reverend Price also served as Chaplain at the Tennessee State Prison; and

WHEREAS, throughout his prodigious career as a minister of God, Carl Price has been supported in all his endeavors by his devoted wife, Mary Lena Huber Price; and

WHEREAS, Reverend and Mrs. Price are the proud parents of Curtis Nelson Price and Mary Ellen Price and the grandparents of Mary Claire, Christopher, and Joshua; and

WHEREAS, although Reverend Carl Price retired from the full-time pastorate on February 4, 2001, he intends to continue serving God and his fellow Tennesseans as long as he is afforded the opportunity and as long as his health permits; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Carl Price exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family, community, and God that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his commendable career, Reverend Price has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his peers and his congregations; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we extend to Reverend Carl N. Price our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, even as we pay homage to his ongoing commitment to serving God and humanity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

